

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 430  
By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dr. Buck Tarpley, on  
being the recipient of the Harold Love  
Outstanding Community Involvement Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay  
tribute to those exemplary citizens who have expended their efforts to bring about a positive  
change in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Buck Tarpley, is an excellent illustration of how people can positively  
influence people's lives by being actively involved in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tarpley has been selected as the recipient of the Harold Love  
Outstanding Community Involvement Award by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission;  
and

WHEREAS, he is active in various community programs, using his considerable skills in  
numerous capacities including meritorious service as chair and co-chair of numerous  
committees, and as a judge, teacher, and recruiter; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tarpley served as coach for six years with the Dixie Youth Baseball,  
American League president for one year and all-star coach for two years; and

WHEREAS, he assisted young men in their rise to responsibility and manhood by being  
active in scouting for six years and serving as assistant scoutmaster; and

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WHEREAS, he was responsible for nurturing and assisting those young people with special abilities during his tenure as President of the Northwest Tennessee Talented and Gifted organization and as judge for Odyssey of the Mind competitions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tarpley also co-chaired the National Marrow Donor Registry drive; served admirably as a Board member of the Dyer County Chapter of the American Cancer society, co-chaired the Relay for Life in 1996, chaired the advisory committee for the Tennessee Vocational Training Center, and served astutely on the steering committee at the Moody-Wadley Cancer Benefit; and

WHEREAS, he also is active in diverse types of church activities, including exemplary service as a deacon, deacon chairman, and brotherhood director at the First Baptist Church in Dyersburg; he has also served as a teacher in the jail ministry and as a disaster relief volunteer and has chaired the First Baptist's Vision 2000 and Salt and Light committees; and

WHEREAS, he is currently working with Dyersburg State to develop scholarships and technology; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded as a professional and friend, Dr. Tarpley is the perfect example of a person totally committed to improving the quality of life for his fellow citizens and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Dr. Buck Tarpley on being chosen as the recipient of the Harold Love Outstanding Community Involvement Award. We commend his service to the community, salute his expertise and dedication in civic and church activities, and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.